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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please amend this application, prior to calculation of the filing fee, as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, between the title and the first heading, please insert the following:

This application is a U.S. National Stage of International application PCT/FR00/00581, filed March 9, 2000 and published on September 14, 2000 in the French Language.

Page 4, please rewrite the paragraph appearing at lines 4-7 as follows:

Preferably, whatever the embodiment, one deep groove is located between two shallow grooves. In this case, the deep groove has an end where the two shallow grooves meet to create a reaction zone.

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